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SUBJECT: CSCE: TUNISIAN ROLE

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1. BRITISH AMBASSADOR MARNHAM CLARIFIED FOR US GOT DEMARCHE
TO UK REGARDING TUNISIAN QTE PARTICIPATION UNQTE IN CSCE,
AND BRITISH RESPONSE.

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2. MARNHAM SAID THAT DURING ROUTINE CALL ON DIRECTOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS SALAH LADGHAM LAST WEEK, LATTER ASKED WHAT UK POSITION WAS NOW ON PARTICIPATION OF TUNISIA AND ALGERIA AT CSCE. LADGHAM SPECIFICALLY ASKED WHAT BRITISH WOULD THINK IF FONMIN MASMOUDI VISITED HELSINKI DURING FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING (PHASE I OF CONFERENCE).

3. MARNHAM RESPONDED ONLY IN GENERAL TERMS AT TIME, STATING UK RESERVATIONS TO MEDITERRANEAN STATE PARTICIPATION, BASED ON GUIDELINES HE HAD RECEIVED FROM LONDON SEVERAL MONTHS AGO. HE TOLD LADGHAM HE WOULD QUERY FOREIGN OFFICE ONCE AGAIN AND RESPOND MORE SPECIFICALLY.

4. HE HAS NOW DONE SO, AND HAS APPOINTMENT JUNE 29 WITH ACTING FONMIN MAHMOUD MESTIRI (MASMOUDI HAS ALREADY DEPARTED FOR GENEVA) TO CONVEY BRITISH RESPONSE. HE WILL TELL GOT THAT UK CANNOT SUPPORT TUNISIAN PARTICIPATION DURING PHASE I OF CONFERENCE. HE WILL LEAVE OPEN QUESTION OF GOT PRESENTING VIEWS DURING PHASE II, IN COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES. HE WILL ALSO CONVEY BRITISH OPPOSITION TO BRINGING MIDDLE EAST QUESTIONS BEFORE CONFERENCE.

5. MARNHAM HOPES THAT MASMOUDI WILL NOT VISIT HELSINKI, BUT SUSPECTS THAT HE MAY INTEND TO DO SO ANYWAY.
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